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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 24, 2003 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

Extension of time

An extension of time to respond to the Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Amendments to the Claims are shown in the "Listing of the Claims" which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include substitute drawings (7 sheets) filed herewith.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Please enter the following amendments and remarks.